- (9) As appropriate, incorporate activities before school, after school, during the summer, and during any extension of the school year.
- (d)(1) Within 45 days of receiving a school improvement plan, the LEA must—  $\,$
- (i) Establish a peer-review process to assist with review of the plan;
  - (ii) Promptly review the plan;
- (iii) Work with the school to make any necessary revisions; and
- (iv) Approve the plan if it meets the requirements of this section.
- (2) The LEA may condition approval of the school improvement plan on—
- (i) Inclusion of one or more of the corrective actions specified in §200.42;
- (ii) Feedback on the plan from parents and community leaders.
- (e) A school must implement its school improvement plan immediately on approval of the plan by the LEA.

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## § 200.42 Corrective action.

- (a) Definition. "Corrective action" means action by an LEA that—
- (1) Substantially and directly responds to—
- (i) The consistent academic failure of a school that led the LEA to identify the school for corrective action; and
- (ii) Any underlying staffing, curriculum, or other problems in the school:
- (2) Is designed to increase substantially the likelihood that each group of students described in §200.13(b)(7) and enrolled in the school will meet or exceed the State's proficient levels of achievement as measured by the State assessment system; and
  - (3) Is consistent with State law.
- (b) Requirements. If an LEA identifies a school for corrective action, in accordance with §200.33, the LEA must do the following:
- (1) Continue to provide all students enrolled in the school with the option to transfer to another public school in accordance with § 200.44.
- (2) Continue to ensure that the school receives technical assistance

- consistent with the requirements of §200.40.
- (3) Make available supplemental educational services in accordance with § 200.45.
- (4) Take at least one of the following corrective actions:
- (i) Replace the school staff who are relevant to the school's failure to make AYP.
- (ii) Institute and fully implement a new curriculum, including the provision of appropriate professional development for all relevant staff, that—
- (A) Is grounded in scientifically based research; and
- (B) Offers substantial promise of improving educational achievement for low-achieving students and of enabling the school to make AYP.
- (iii) Significantly decrease management authority at the school level.
- (iv) Appoint one or more outside experts to advise the school on—
- (A) Revising the school improvement plan developed under §200.41 to address the specific issues underlying the school's continued failure to make AYP and resulting in identification for corrective action; and
- (B) Implementing the revised improvement plan.
- (v) Extend for that school the length of the school year or school day.
- (vi) Restructure the internal organization of the school.
- (5) Continue to comply with  $\S 200.39(c)$ .

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## § 200.43 Restructuring.

- (a) Definition. "Restructuring" means a major reorganization of a school's governance arrangement by an LEA that—
- (1) Makes fundamental reforms to improve student academic achievement in the school;
- (2) Has substantial promise of enabling the school to make AYP as defined under §§ 200.13 through 200.20;
- (3) Is consistent with State law;

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- (4) Is significantly more rigorous and comprehensive than the corrective action that the LEA implemented in the school under §200.42, unless the school has begun to implement one of the options in paragraph (b)(3) of this section as a corrective action; and
- (5) Addresses the reasons why the school was identified for restructuring in order to enable the school to exit restructuring as soon as possible.
- (b) Requirements. If the LEA identifies a school for restructuring in accordance with §200.34, the LEA must do the following:
- (1) Continue to provide all students enrolled in the school with the option to transfer to another public school in accordance with § 200.44.
- (2) Make available supplemental educational services in accordance with § 200.45.
- (3) Prepare a plan to carry out one of the following alternative governance arrangements:
- (i) Reopen the school as a public charter school.
- (ii) Replace all or most of the school staff (which may include, but may not be limited to, replacing the principal) who are relevant to the school's failure to make AYP.
- (iii) Enter into a contract with an entity, such as a private management company, with a demonstrated record of effectiveness, to operate the school as a public school.
- (iv) Turn the operation of the school over to the SEA, if permitted under State law and agreed to by the State.
- (v) Any other major restructuring of a school's governance arrangement that makes fundamental reforms, such as significant changes in the school's staffing and governance, in order to improve student academic achievement in the school and that has substantial promise of enabling the school to make AYP. The major restructuring of a school's governance may include replacing the principal so long as this change is part of a broader reform effort.
- (4) Provide to parents and teachers—
- (i) Prompt notice that the LEA has identified the school for restructuring; and
- (ii) An opportunity for parents and teachers to—

- (A) Comment before the LEA takes any action under a restructuring plan; and
- (B) Participate in the development of any restructuring plan.
- (5) Continue to comply with § 200.39(c).
- (c) Implementation. (1) If a school continues to fail to make AYP, the LEA must—
- (i) Implement the restructuring plan no later than the beginning of the school year following the year in which the LEA developed the restructuring plan under paragraph (b)(3) of this section:
- (ii) Continue to offer public school choice and supplemental educational services in accordance with §§ 200.44 and 200.45; and
- (iii) Continue to comply with  $\S 200.39(c)$ .
- (2) An LEA is no longer required to carry out the requirements of paragraph (c)(1) of this section if the restructured school makes AYP for two consecutive school years.
- (d) Rural schools. On request, the Secretary will provide technical assistance for developing and carrying out a restructuring plan to any rural LEA—
- (1) That has fewer than 600 students in average daily attendance at all of its schools; and
- (2) In which all of the schools have a School Locale Code of 7 or 8, as determined by the National Center for Education Statistics.

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## § 200.44 Public school choice.

- (a) Requirements. (1) In the case of a school identified for school improvement under §200.32, for corrective action under §200.33, or for restructuring under §200.34, the LEA must provide all students enrolled in the school with the option to transfer to another public school served by the LEA.
- (2) The LEA must offer this option, through the notice required in §200.37, so that students may transfer in the school year following the school year